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*To be the head, heart and hands of Jesus Christ, driven by God's love for our church and the world beyond.*

## NEWS & NOTES

### July 6, 2018

### A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

I'd like to ask for some help. As you know, folks come to us for emergency assistance. Since I am new to the area, I don't know about all of the assistance programs that are already out there. As in most communities, I'm assuming that there are utility companies that offer a reduced rate, programs that help with rent or that help people learn to better manage their money, etc. I don't know where there are shelters for people who are abused or shelters for people who are without a home. If you or anyone you know has been active in social work or just have some understanding of what is available, it would be great if you could help us put together a notebook of services and contact information. Although we never give out cash and only send checks to the places or services demanding payment, it is best if we can use every available avenue already in existence before writing a check. It



also would enable us to help more of the people who need it most. If you can help, please let me know.

I hope you are enjoying your summer. I love this time of year when everything is green and growing!

Blessings,  
Nancy

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### GAME NIGHT! A CHURCH FAMILY FUN NIGHT FOR ALL AGES

**Date:** Friday, July 20

**Time:** 6:00pm

**Place:** Christian Fellowship Center

Who is invited? You and anyone you know!

Parents and their kids! Grandparents with their

grandchildren! Your family and neighbors. You don't have to be a

member of Southminster to attend. The only requirement is that you

do need to be willing to have fun. There is no cost and you will be fed

a fun meal. Feel free to bring your favorite game on Game Night!



### ELDERBERRIES - NAME THAT TUNE AND SING-A-LONG OF OLD FAVORITES

**Date:** Friday, August 3

**Time:** 11:00am

**Place:** Christian Fellowship Center

**Facilitated by:** Gay Amos



### ELDER/DEACON/STAFF RETREAT

**Date:** Saturday, August 11

**Time:** 8:30am - 2:00pm

**Place:** Fairmont Presbyterian Church



### FAMILY FUN NIGHT - PAINTING!

**Date:** Friday, August 17

**Time:** 6:00pm

**Place:** Christian Fellowship Center

Who is invited? You and anyone you know! Parents and

their kids! Grandparents with their grandchildren! Your family and



neighbors. You don't have to be a member of Southminster to attend. The only requirement is that you do need to be willing to have fun. There is no cost and you will be fed a fun meal.

**BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS,  
FAMILY BBQ AND PRESCHOOL OPEN  
HOUSE**

**Date: Sunday, August 26**

**Time: Following Worship**

**Place: Christian Fellowship Center**



For additional upcoming events, be sure to visit our website

## GROWTH GROUPS

### SECRETS OF THE VINE

**Dates: Sunday, July 8-August 26**

**Facilitator: Drew Fisher**

**Times: 8:45am-9:45am**

**Location: Hospitality Room**



This class is a book discussion on the 15<sup>th</sup> chapter of the Gospel of John. Dr. Bruce Wilkinson, the author, explores what it means to have abundant life in Christ and how to experience the joy of making maximum impact for God. We will look at four levels of fruit bearing and three surprising secrets that will open your eyes to your unrealized potential in Him. No need to purchase the book; we will share both reading the book aloud and discussing its biblical insight for our lives.

### SMALL GREAT THINGS

**Dates: Friday, July 20**

**Facilitator: Erin Dickerson**

**Times: 10:00-11:30am**

**Location: Hospitality Room**



Join us for a one time discussion of the novel "Small Great Things" by Jodi Picoult led by Erin Dickerson. Childcare will be available.

## AED TRAINING

Have you ever noticed the little red boxed AED kits around Southminster? They're located on a wall near:

- \*The Coffee Corner
- \*The Office
- \*The Community Room



They are there in case of emergency during worship, and during the week. While we will always call and rely on professional emergency personnel, we still need individuals willing to be trained in CPR/AED usage if the need arises.

**If you are a currently trained in AED usage, please let the [office](#) know.**

We are looking for people age 18 and older, interested and willing to attend a **FREE** 2 hour combined AED/CPR training session on Wednesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6:30-8:30pm. It is not hard, and the training is interesting and fun.

A certificate of completion will be given to everyone attending, and an official certification card can be purchased from the trainer following the event for \$15. This training is useful for anyone, and can be used outside of Southminster.

If interested, please contact Jeannette Woodworth at [JLWoodworth@woh.rr.com](mailto:JLWoodworth@woh.rr.com) or 937-765-0908 by August 19<sup>th</sup>.

THANKS!!

## SESSION HIGHLIGHTS - JUNE 26, 2018

In the June meeting of Session, Pastor Nancy reminded us of an upcoming August 11<sup>th</sup> Deacons/Elders/ Staff retreat as well as the need to schedule make-up classes for those who missed officer training. An Inquirers class for potential new members will be held on September 9 and 16. Pastor Steve let us know that even though they are marked as handicapped, those spaces closest to the Food Pantry can still be used for loading and unloading food during the week. Our Nominating Team is happy that the new APNC (Associate Pastor Nominating Committee) slate was approved at the June 24 Congregational Meeting. The Team will soon begin considering

nominees to fill openings on Session and the Board of Deacons. The Christian Education Team talked about a new class coming up in September and Erin Dickerson shared that VBS is going well. Kim Catchpole updated us on the youth's experience at Montreat and talked about the upcoming Tween Mission Week in partnership with the Sugarcreek Presbyterian Church.

The Session approved that Finance move the Savage Estate Funds to the Dayton Foundation accounts. All teams are asked to submit 2019 budgets by the September Session meeting. The Stewardship Team is hoping to expand and is looking for new team members. The Communications Team is working on an Information Publication Request form that will help people to get information published on the Website, Facebook and in *News and Notes*. The Building and Grounds Team is in the middle of the parking lot project and hopes it will be completed as soon as the weather cooperates.

In order to get the "Session Highlights" onto the website in a timely manner, the Session will approve the minutes by email within 3 days of the meeting and a non-response will be considered a "yes."

*Please note: If you prefer to see the complete minutes, you can contact the church office or look for a copy at the "Welcome Center."*

## INFORMATION OF INTEREST

### **WANTED: E-MAIL PRAYER CHAIN PARTICIPANTS!**

The only requirement to join the other 76 people on the email prayer chain is the desire to pray for others. When you receive the prayer request on your email, there is no need to pass it on – ONLY TO GOD! JUST PRAY! All prayer requests are confidential. Please call Judy Murphy (433-4449) or email her at [lucy1942@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lucy1942@sbcglobal.net) to be added to the email prayer chain.

"LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY." Luke 11:1

## CHILDREN AND YOUTH

## **TWEEN MISSION WEEK - JULY 9-13**

### **Grades 4-8**

Youth from Southminster and Sugar Creek Presbyterian Church will work together to make a difference in our community. Mission projects include working with the Dayton Food Bank, the Dayton Peace Museum, Kirkmont Camp, One Bistro and more. Contact [Kim@sminster.com](mailto:Kim@sminster.com) to sign up.



Cost: \$20

Mon, July 9 9 AM – 4 PM

Tues, July 10 9 AM – 4 PM

Wed, July 11 8:15 AM – 4 PM

Thurs, July 12 9 AM – 4 PM

Fri, July 13 9 AM – 4 PM

## **YOUTH OUTING: FC CINCINNATI SOCCER GAME - WEDNESDAY JULY 18**

Join the youth group outing on Wednesday, July 18 to watch the FC Cincinnati soccer match against Charlotte Independence. We will meet at the church at 6:30 pm. The game begins at 7:30. Friends and family members are welcome. Must RSVP so that we have enough tickets.



Cost is \$10 per person. Contact [Kim@sminster.com](mailto:Kim@sminster.com) to sign up.

Visit our website for information about Southminster's [Children's ministry](#) or [Youth ministry](#)

## **CONTRIBUTIONS**

## Southminster Contributions – 2018\*

Period	Budgeted Contributions	Actual Contributions	Excess/ (Shortfall)
Last Week	\$9,503	\$9,178	\$(325)
Year to Date	\$247,078	\$272,566	\$25,488

\* as of July 2, 2018

Please give generously!

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